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# **U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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# **FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS**

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	B2	DE 19858974 A1	06-21-2000	Daimler-Chrysler AG	No
	B3	WO 9518292 A1	07-06-1995	AB Volvo	Yes
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